

TOPIC Dresden-Klotzsche Airfield

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REMARKS [REDACTED]

SOURCE [REDACTED] 25X1X

1. From 16 December 1952 to 4 January 1953, flying was observed at Dresden-Klotzsche airfield only on 3 January. From 9 to 10 a.m. on that day, two Po-2s made local flights. Visibility was about 2,000 meters, and about 10 cm of fresh snow had fallen. Two Po-2s made local training flights from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on 6 and 9 January respectively. At 11:30 a.m. on 13 January, source observed a Po-2 fitted with skids at the field. At 11:45 a.m., this plane flew over the Elbe River near Meissen. From 11 a.m. to noon on 16 January, Po-2s made local training flights.

2. No drivers training was observed at the field from 27 December through 4 January.

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3. From 4 to 4:30 p.m. on 27 December, 22 men who wore black-bordered blue epaulets and belonged to the unit quartered in the Hansa building at Dresden-Klotzsche airfield, were observed engaged in athletics. From 12:30 to 2 p.m. on 3 January, 60 unarmed soldiers who wore black-bordered blue epaulets were observed doing close order drill on the concrete apron before the airfield buildings. The drill was supervised by an air force senior lieutenant.
4. From 16 December 1952 through 18 January 1953, the Hansa building of Klotzsche airfield quartered about 100 men who wore black-bordered blue epaulets and 25 air force officers. The air force officer candidate school was occupied by an estimated 350 men who wore black-bordered blue epaulets. The sentries observed there wore black-bordered red epaulets. No other soldiers with this service color were observed.
5. According to a rumor circulating in Klotzsche in late 1952 and early 1953, the local airfield was to be occupied by a VP air unit.

- 25X1 6. On 30 December, trucks [REDACTED] both of which driven by soldiers wearing black-bordered blue epaulets, left the main gate of the Luftkriegsschule.

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 Comment. The report indicates that there was no change in the occupation of Dresden-Klotzsche airfield. An air force unit which is conducting initial pilot training and a motor vehicle distribution point of the Twenty-Fourth Air Army with an attached driver school is still believed to be stationed at the field. Rumors on an intended occupation of the field by a VP air unit were reported previously.

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